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ENGINE COOLING SYSTEM

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

REQUEST FOR RETURN OF PTO-FORM 1449

Sir:

On <u>August 10, 2004</u> an Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 was filed in the subject application. However, an initialed and dated copy of the Form PTO-1449 was not returned to the offices of the undersigned with the August 16, 2004 Notice of Allowability. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner now acknowledge consideration of the cited art by returning an initialed and dated copy of that form. If the Examiner would prefer, the form can be transmitted to the undersigned by facsimile at 703-816-4100.

Respectfully submitted,

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